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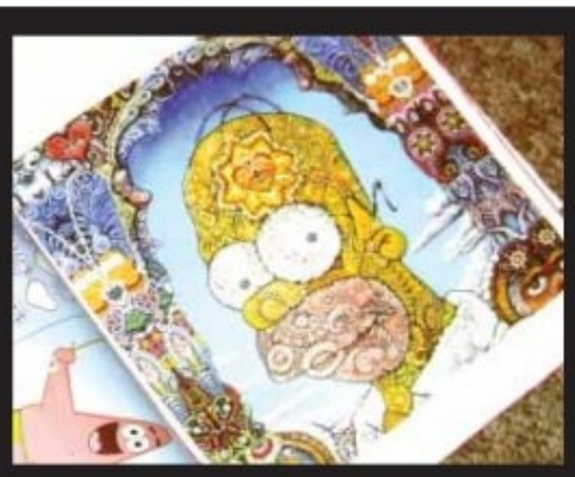

Son of anti-war activist alleged in $4M LSD ring

Raphael Zappala, whose mother Celeste was one of country's most outspoken peaceniks, also led rallies Three men allegedly sold tabs at Drexel {page 02}

▶ From left, Raphael Zappala, Joshua Dassay and Wesley Crawford allegedly got thousands of tabs of acid from California and sold it to Drexel students. The hallucinogen was hidden in a SpongeBob Squarepants coloring book and sold on illustrations of Homer Simpson and Jerry Garcia.

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Big coke bust in Bucks nets 19 kilos

▶ Police found 42 pounds.

BUCKS COUNTY. Police arrested six men in Bucks County early Monday after they allegedly smuggled about 42 pounds of cocaine from Mexico to Bensalem with plans to distribute it to the Philadelphia and Allentown area, Public Safety Director Fred Harran said. The drugs had a street value of approximately $8 million.

Two of the men — Fernando Garcia, 31, and Arnaldo Rodriguez, 33, — were from Philadelphia.

They were arrested at a warehouse on State Road along with four other men, one a citizen of Mexico and two citizens of the Dominican Republic.

Police netted 19 kilos of cocaine as part of an ongoing investigation spurred by a tip received by Bensalem police, Harran said. "I would think more arrests would be forthcoming," he said. "The investigation is ongoing."

The six suspects were arraigned and charged with manufacture and delivery or possession with intent to deliver. They were sent to Bucks County Prison with $1 million bail. METRO/AW

Brother of slain soldier allegedly sold Drexel LSD

Raphael Zappala joined his mother, Celeste Zappala, in peace protests after his brother, Sgt. Sherwood Baker, died in 2004 He and two other men allegedly sold thousands of acid tabs to Drexel college students

One of five people busted in an alleged LSD ring on Drexel University's campus is the son of national peace activist Celeste Zappala.

Authorities arrested Raphael Zappala, 33, of the 1000 block of 50th Street, Wesley Crawford, 34, of Ardmore, and Joshua Dassay, 31, of the 4800 block of Florence Street, following a raid Monday night during which they allegedly recovered $28,000 worth of LSD and $10,000 in cash. Two Drexel students have also been charged, but their names were not released because they were confidential informants, authorities said.

In 2005, Raphael Zappala became known for speaking out against the Iraq war along with his parents following the death of his brother, Sgt. Sherwood Baker, who was the first Pennsylvania National Guardsman killed in Baghdad in 2004. He participated in a large protest outside President George W. Bush's Texas ranch.

▶ Authorities found an acid sheets hidden inside a kids' book.

Chris Robinson, who knew the Zappalas as part of the peace movement, was shocked by the news of Zappala's arrest.

"It doesn't sound like him. ... He always seemed very upstanding," Robinson said. "I've heard him speak several times at public meetings."

Authorities said the suspects allegedly sold the hallucinogen on the college campus for about a year, making between $5,000 and $15,000 a week. They packaged the acid in perforated paper with printed pictures of Homer Simpson and Jerry Garcia.

The investigation started two weeks ago when Upper Moreland police arrested a Drexel student for marijuana and gun charges who provided information about the alleged ring. Philadelphia investigators launched a sting operation that concluded with Monday's raid.

Celeste Zappala, reached yesterday by phone, declined to comment after saying she had just gotten word of the arrest. Her son had worked as a counselor for Philadelphia's Coalition Against Hunger.

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Slabs to tabs

PHILADELPHIA. Officials allege Dassay was the source of the drugs in the area, and that he was getting his supply from the West Coast.

"Generally, these things all go back to California," Grady said after the news conference.

Authorities said the three named suspects allegedly sold the drug on

Drexel's campus for about a year for about $30 a hit. They estimate the ring may have netted about $4 million. METRO/SDL

Ringleader to middle man to campus

PHILADELPHIA. Officials said Dassay, who is wanted for drug-related crimes in nine other states, was the alleged ringleader. Zappala would allegedly get the acid from Dassay and take it to the Drexel students. Crawford allegedly served as the liaison between the students and Zappala and Dassay. Crawford pleaded guilty to marijuana possession in 2001, online court records show.

Zappala does not have a prior criminal record, according to online court records.

They face a maximum of 132 years in prison.

No attorneys for the suspects could be reached. METRO/SDL

▶ Nearby train station.

Man kills woman, self

GERMANTOWN. A man committed murder-suicide in the parking lot of the Wayne Junction train station yesterday afternoon.

The man, 31, was sitting in the passenger's seat of a Ford Explorer in the station's parking lot when, around 11:51 a.m., he shot a 26-year-old female who was sitting in the driver's seat in the side of her head. He then turned the gun on himself.

Police are unsure of the exact circumstances and have not yet released the murdered woman's identity. METRO/AW

Man found duct-taped and dead

OLNEY. The body of an unidentified 40-year-old man was found by his wife yesterday at their home on the 200 block of West Ruscomb Street, police said.

His wrists, ankles and mouth were bound with duct tape and bleeding, police said. He was pronounced dead at 4:30 p.m. The cause of death is unknown, but police have ruled it a homicide. The closets and drawers had been ransacked, suggesting a robbery or home invasion. METRO

In the news

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Decreased value of single-family home prices in the Philadelphia metropolitan area in the fourth quarter of 2011, according to an analysis in the Inquirer. METRO

In the news

Naming names

State prosecutors will reveal the names of Jerry Sandusky's 10 accusers to his legal team this week, The Associated Press reported yesterday. In a filing late Monday in Centre County court, prosecutors said they will turn over the information about the men who claim Sandusky sexually abused them as minors. METRO

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'Money Honey' on regulations

PHILADELPHIA. The Money Honey, CNBC anchor Maria Bartiromo's trademarked nickname, attributed the lack of bank lending to the new banking regulations designed to reduce fraud. "One high-level bank executive

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told me his bank is not lending money now because they can no longer lie on the loan documents," she said. "People have to have the financial wherewithal to buy."

She believes that the economy is slowly rebounding. "JP Morgan CEO Jamie Morgan ... said that housing has hit bottom, but will be bumping around the bottom for awhile," Bartiromo said.

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Talking education at Chamber

Education, employment and technology were all on the minds of those gathered at the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce Economic Outlook 2012 breakfast yesterday.

Tasty Baking Company President Paul Ridder lamented about a small pool of educated workers available to work in Philadelphia.

"With the unemployment rate over 8 percent, you would think that it would be easy for us to find skilled electricians and other workers," Ridder said. "We are struggling to find the workers that we need."

Maria Bartiromo, gave the capacity crowd in the Park Hyatt ballroom pause when she compared the American school system to other countries' systems. "In America, children attend school five hours a day, five days a week when you exclude two hours daily for gym and lunch," she said. "In the rest of the world, children go ... 10 hours a day, six days a week."

While banks have been demonized in some circles, especially for not lending, these speakers attended them. "Banks are not venture capitalists. They must lend to solid businesses. The current economy has not produced many of them," said Ridder.

Bartiromo believes the future lies with mobile technology. "There are 1 billion personal computers in the world today while there are 4 billion mobile devices. Only 400 million of those are smartphones," she said. "Many people do not yet know the potential of their phones. In Korea, they can pay for everything, board planes with their phones."

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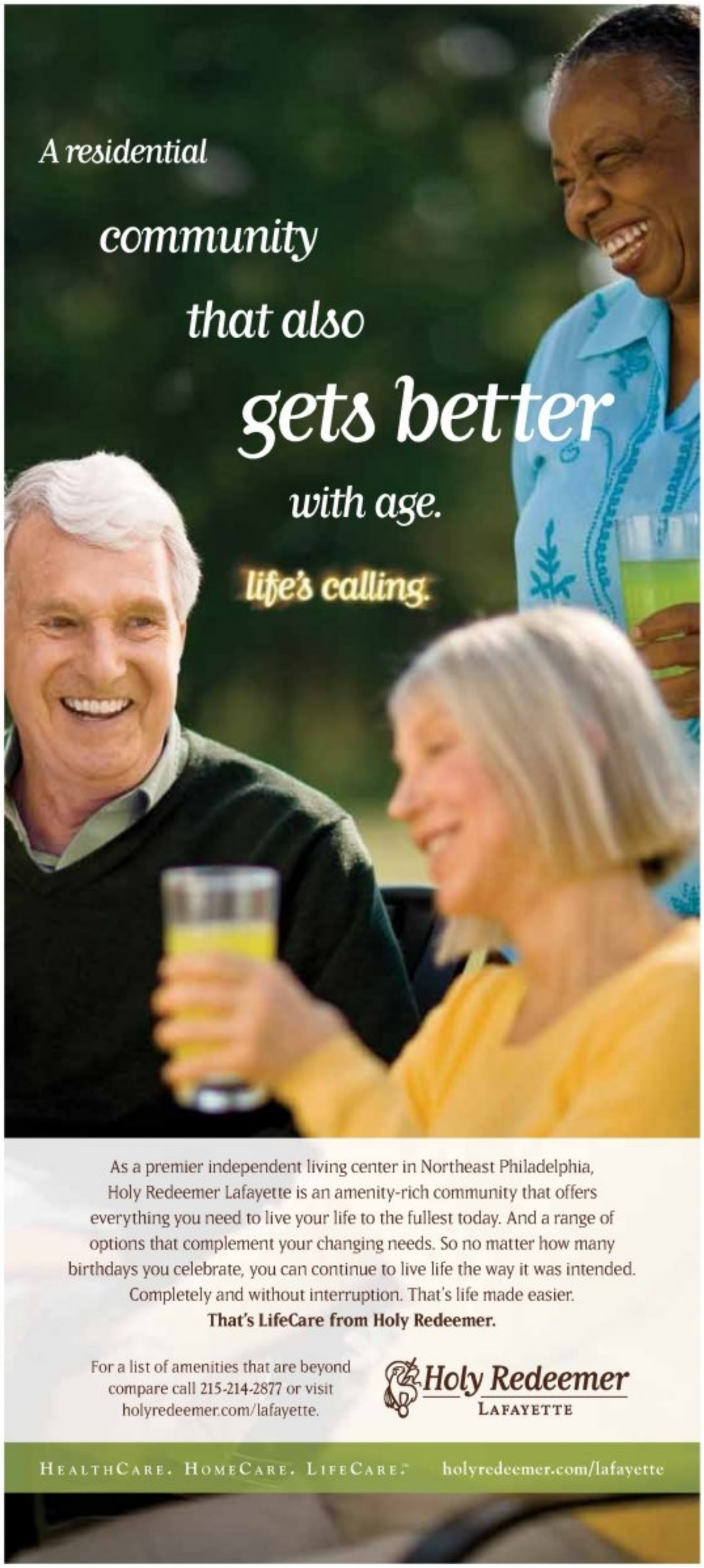
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More arrests in 'execution'

PHILADELPHIA. Raymond Soto, 20, Eliana Vazquez, 19, and Sean Poindexter, 17, were arrested yesterday for the murder of Reyna Aguirre-Alonso.

The woman was killed at Caribe Mini Market where she worked last Monday in what police are now calling an organized hit in retaliation for a homicide she witnessed in November 2011.

Jorge Aldea, 23, who was arrested Friday for that shooting, allegedly conspired with the three suspects to execute Alonso because she was working with police to identify him. He has also been charged in Alonso's death.

Police said Aldea was the mastermind, Soto provided the weapon, Vazquez, Aldea's girlfriend, drove the getaway car and Poindexter was the masked shooter. METRO

Alleged Flyers attacker in court

PHILADELPHIA. The preliminary hearing for Dennis Veteri, the man accused of taking part in an attack on two Rangers fans outside Geno's Steaks this month, was postponed today.

Veteri's attorney requested time to conduct further investigation. His client is charged with aggravated assault, conspiracy to commit aggravated assault, simple assault and recklessly endangering another person in connection to the Jan. 2 brawl. METRO

Former judge wants to bring soldiers in to rescue Philly

Former Municipal Court Judge Jimmie Moore, who is challenging U.S. Rep. Bob Brady for the 1st Congressional District seat, has one important item on his agenda: Bring in the National Guard.

"We've had more than a murder a day and local law enforcement is stretched, so we need someone to come in and assist," he said. Mayor Michael Nutter's recently announced crime plan is a good start, but lacks immediacy, according to Moore. "Given the rate that we're losing our citizens, we need some drastic action."

The Old City beating death of a Temple grad and assault of a Penn student in a cab spurred Moore to come up with the idea. Philadelphia would be the first city to have the National Guard respond without a natural disaster, Moore said. He's not sure how feasible the idea is, but said it must be discussed. "We need to consider it because we can't, as peaceful and law abiding citizens, continue to suffer under this terror."

"Every day there's something more and more in terms of violence," he said. "We have to recognize, in terms of people just stopping, it's not going to happen."

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▶ Moore, who served on the city's municipal bench for 12 years, wants to bring in the troops.

Who is Jimmie Moore?

- Jimmie Moore received a law degree from Rutgers University School of Law, where he chaired the Rutgers University School of Law-Camden Black Law Week.
- He served as a member of the License & Inspection Appeal Review Board for 12 years.
- Moore was as Judge of the Philadelphia Municipal Court for 12 years.
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News in brief

Iran stepping up nuke efforts

WASHINGTON. Iran is keeping the option open to develop a nuclear weapon but U.S. intelligence agencies do not know whether it will eventually decided to build one, the U.S. intelligence chief said yesterday.

"We assess Iran is keeping open the option to develop nuclear weapons, in part by developing various nuclear capabilities that better position it to produce such weapons, should it choose to do so," James Clapper said. "We do not know, however, if Iran will eventually decide to build nuclear weapons."

Iran is expanding its uranium enrichment capabilities, which can be used for either civil or weapons purposes, he said.

REUTERS

Google defends privacy changes

WASHINGTON. Planned changes to Google Inc.'s privacy policies that have caught the attention of U.S. lawmakers would not take away the control its customers have over how data is collected and used, the company said in a blog post yesterday.

Google, whose offerings include its flagship search engine, Gmail, YouTube and Google+ products, announced last week that it was unifying 60 of its privacy policies.

When the new policy comes into effect today, information from most Google products will be treated as a single trove of data, which the company could use for targeted advertising.

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Fourth year of $1 trillion deficit

WASHINGTON. The United States is headed for a fourth straight year with a $1 trillion-plus budget deficit, congressional forecasters said yesterday, giving ammunition to Republicans to hammer President Barack Obama's spending record in November's elections.

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office said the fiscal 2012 deficit would rise to $1.079 trillion from its previous estimate of $973 billion made last August. If Congress extends payroll tax cuts through year-end, as expected, deficits would likely rise by another $100 billion through December.

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No surprise in Fla.: Romney the victor

Mitt Romney beat his closest rival Newt Gingrich by a sizable margin in the Florida Republican primary yesterday, taking a big step toward his goal of winning the party's nomination to challenge President Barack Obama in the Nov. 6 election.

Television networks projected Romney as the winner just as the last polls closed in Florida. With 61 percent of the vote counted, Romney had 47 percent of the vote to Gingrich's 31 percent in the largest nominating contest so far this year.

The victory in Florida enabled Romney, the wealthy former Massachusetts governor and private equity firm executive, to rebound from his decisive loss to rival Newt Gingrich in the Jan. 21 South Carolina primary.

The well-funded and well-organized Romney surged in opinion polls in Florida after aggressively pressing Gingrich in two debates and pounding him with negative advertising.

The Florida primary was the fourth in the series of state-by-state contests to pick the Republican nominee to face Obama. Romney has triumphed in two of the first four contests, having also won in New Hampshire and coming in second in Iowa and South Carolina.

The next contest is the Nevada caucuses on Saturday, followed next Tuesday by caucuses in Colorado and Minnesota and a primary in Missouri.

The win demonstrated Romney's ability to compete strongly in a major political battleground state with a broad voter base that includes a diverse electorate including Tea Party conservatives, evangelical Christians and Cuban-Americans. **REUTERS**

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▶ Mitt Romney's front-runner status has been cemented.

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Coded language in politics?

Analysis: Are some pundits and politicians using so-called dog-whistling to stir up white resentments?

Here are some things you could learn about black Americans from the recent statements and insinuations of Republican presidential candidates, Republican congressmen and Republican-friendly radio hosts:

Black people have lost the desire to perform a day's work. Black people rely on food stamps provided to them by white taxpayers. Black people, including Barack and Michelle Obama, believe that the U.S. owes them something because they are black. Black children should work as janitors in their high schools as a way to keep them from becoming pimps. And the pathologies afflicting black Americans are caused partly by the Democratic Party, which has created in them a dependency on government not dissimilar to the forced dependency of slaves on their owners.

Judging by these claims, all of which have actually been put forward recently, here is a modest prediction: This presidential election will be one of the most race-soaked in recent history. It is already more race-soaked than the 2008 election, which, of course, marked the first time that a black man became a major-party candidate.

Dog-whistling — the use of coded, ambiguous language to appeal to the prejudices of certain subsets of voters — is one of the darkest political arts. In this race, Newt Gingrich is streets ahead of his nearest competitor in its use. In addition to his comments about black children working as janitors, he has repeatedly referred to Obama as the country's "food-stamp president."

The writer Gary Younge has noted that in Woodbury County, which includes Sioux City, Iowa, nine times more whites use food stamps than blacks do. But it doesn't matter: Rick Santorum — who, in Sioux City said: "I don't want to make black people's lives better by giving them somebody else's money; I want to give them the opportunity to go out and earn the money" — wasn't driven from the race for making such a blatant appeal to white resentment; instead, he won the Iowa caucus. (Santorum later denied that he said the word "black," arguing that what he actually said was "blah.")

Harvard Law School's Randall Kennedy, who studies the role of race in national elections, uses the following rule to measure whether a candidate's appeal to prejudice will succeed: If it takes more than two sentences for a critic to explain why a dog-whistle is a dog-whistle, the whistler wins.

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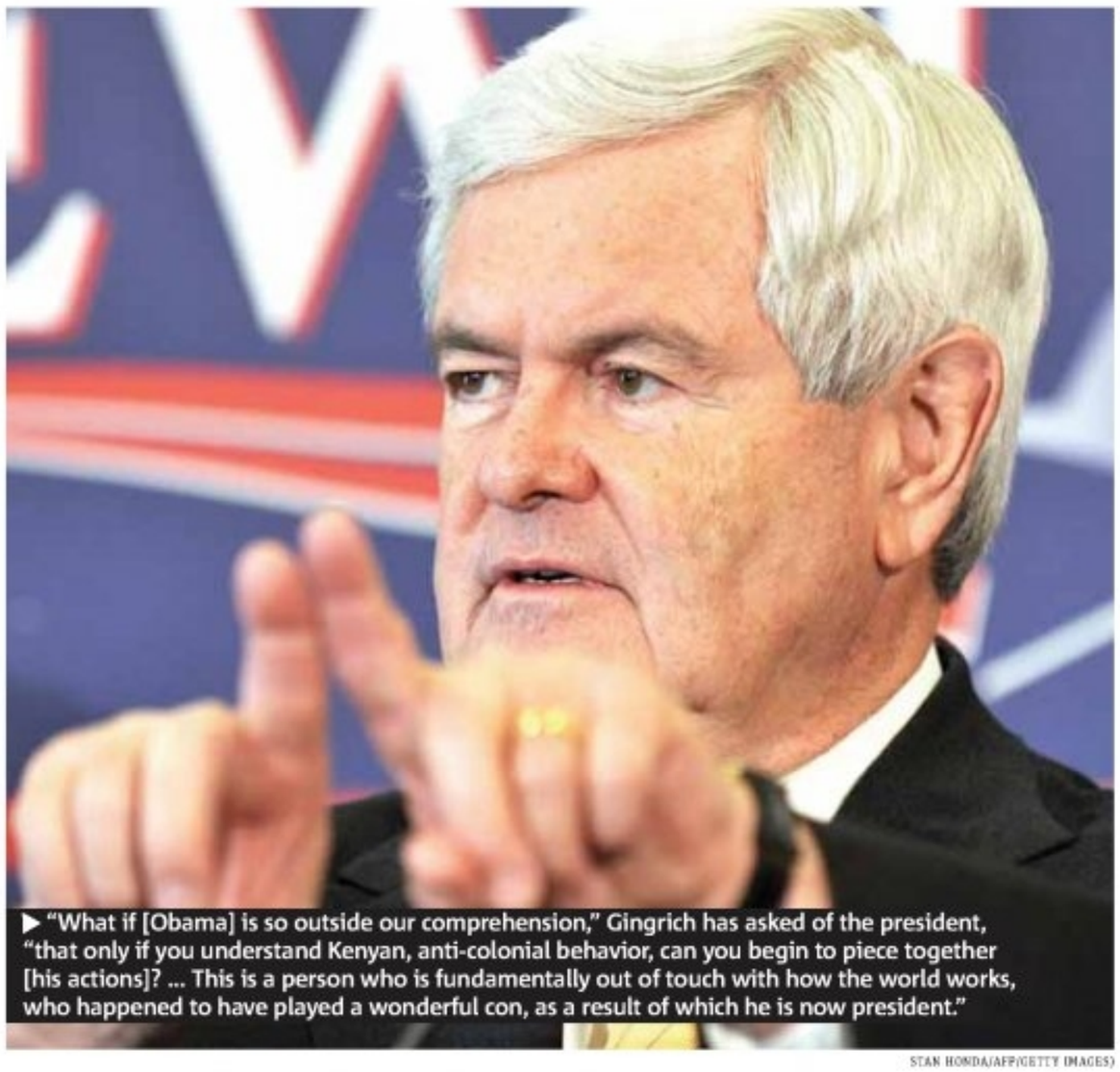
Deniability

The genius of dog-whistling is its deniability.

Gingrich's use of "food-stamp president," for instance, is just indirect enough that Gingrich is protected from detrimental blowback, at least during the largely white Republican primaries.



▶ "What if [Obama] is so outside our comprehension," Gingrich has asked of the president, "that only if you understand Kenyan, anti-colonial behavior, can you begin to piece together [his actions]? ... This is a person who is fundamentally out of touch with how the world works, who happened to have played a wonderful con, as a result of which he is now president."

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One of the big stories this campaign season has been the monumental effect of super PACs on electoral outcomes. These organizations have in recent months taken a firm grip of the national narrative, utilizing their supposed disconnect from campaigns to push an increasingly negative tilt. In honor of last night's filing deadline for year-end campaign reports, we present some of the more interesting super PAC facts.

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Your super PAC FAQ

Follow the money

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Texas governor and former presidential candidate Rick Perry spent more than $1,000 per vote.

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Nearly three-fourths of all political contributions to Our Destiny PAC, the super PAC backing failed candidate Jon Huntsman, came from Huntsman's billionaire father. For those doing the math, that's $1.9 million of fatherly love.

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Newt Gingrich, meanwhile, has something even better than a filthy rich father: A filthy rich casino mogul! The Newt-backing Winning Our Future PAC has so far received $10 million from Sheldon Adelson and his wife, Miriam, which stands among the largest-ever campaign donations.

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The super PAC of TV satirist Stephen Colbert has raised more than $1 million from a range of donors including Pat Magroin, Ibin Yerkinoff and Frumunda Mabalz.

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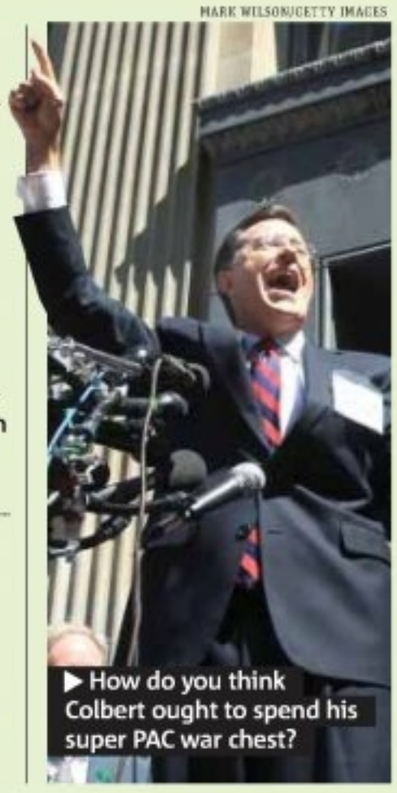

▶ How do you think Colbert ought to spend his super PAC war chest?

$15.3M

Romney and his Restore Our Future super PAC have spent vast sums in Florida in the past month. As a point of comparison, John McCain spent $11 million on ads in the entire 2008 Republican primary race.

92%

Super PAC funds tainted the airwaves in Florida: Nearly all of this year's primary ads in the state were negative.

$51M

American Crossroads, the Karl Rove-led super PAC, raised $51 million in 2011 to be put toward defeating Obama in November.

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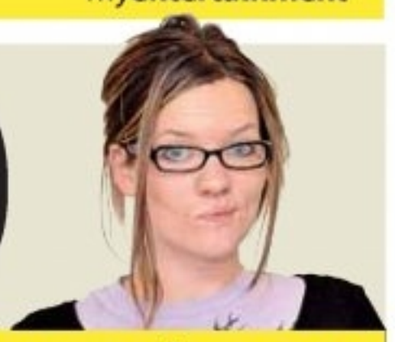

Metro's **Monica Weymouth** shares her take on the world of gossip @monicaatmetro monica.weymouth@metro.us

– Dorothy Robinson will return on Feb. 7

Welcome back, Lindsay Lohan!

It's been a slow week here. Maybe everyone's playing nice and dressing demurely for awards season. Or maybe they're holed up in faraway tropical lands that don't grant visas to mortals. Either way — if a tipsy starlet falls in a bar and no one is there to hear it, we're still bored.

But then, **Lindsay Lohan** went outside and it was good.

Although she was only drinking water in the lounge — give it up Lohan, the Academy isn't watching — she did seem to be enjoying something at Chateau Marmont, reports RadarOnline. "Lindsay was spotted going to the restroom with a male companion on numerous occasions in a short amount of time," a source tells the site, who adds that her eyes looked glassy. "When the two emerged from the bathroom, Lindsay was giggling."

Linds, we really don't care what was going on in that bathroom. It's just good to have you back, babe.

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▶ Right back at you, Lindsay.

Really, she just has to sing ...

It looks like **Madonna** has the Super Bowl halftime show confused with those moments before **Bill Pullman** declares intergalactic war in "Independence Day."

"Oh my god, I'm so nervous. You have no idea," she tells **Anderson Cooper** during an interview. "First of all, it's the Super Bowl. The Super Bowl is kind of like the holiest of holy in America. I'm going to come in halfway between the church experience and I'm going to have to deliver a sermon that's going to have to be very impactful."

And she liked it

We suspect that most people who would enjoy watching **Ashley Greene** and **Olivia Wilde** make out won't be seeing their new film together, "Butter." (It also stars **Jennifer Garner** and tells the story of a small-town butter-carving contest.) But make out in it they do, and so we present you with this quote from Greene's interview with Lucky magazine. You're welcome:

"It wasn't that awkward. It's the same idea as having to kiss a male co-star, and it's not real. Olivia is such a cool chick and very professional. So we were just messing around and cracking up in between scenes, and it ended up being really fun."

▶ Wilde, left, and Greene

Talking points

High turnover on 'X-Factor'

First it was announced that **Steve Jones** won't be returning as host of the U.S. edition of "The X-Factor," and now Entertainment Weekly reports that judges **Paula Abdul** and **Nicole Scherzinger** are out as well, leaving **L.A. Reid** and executive producer **Simon Cowell** as the only judges from the first season to stick around. A U.K. rep for Cowell pled ignorance of the staffing changes: "This happens after every show or series," he said. "No decisions have been made that I am aware of."

▶ Nicole Scherzinger, left, and Paula Abdul got the X.

Saldana and Cooper cuddle up

Bradley Cooper and **Zoe Saldana** reportedly weren't trying to keep their rumored romance under wraps while in Utah for the Sundance Film Festival, according to People magazine. Festival guests spotted the pair getting cozy at a party for "The Words," their new film together. "They were kissing in front of the fire and being very affectionate," a source says. "They are definitely very together. They were like two seventh-graders. The electricity was out of this world."

Moore's illness a shock

News of **Demi Moore**'s recent drug-related hospitalization came as a shock to a lot of people — including the producers of the upcoming film "Lovelace," in which Moore was set to star as **Gloria Steinam**. "It was a shock and concern for all of us," producer **Heidi Jo Markel** says, according to Hollyscoop. "We got a call from [Moore's representative] on Tuesday morning and said, 'There's been a personal crisis and we need to let you know that.' And we were clueless. We had no idea what it entailed. We just knew she was out, that there was probably a health concern, and to move on." Moore's part will now reportedly be played by **Sarah Jessica Parker**.

Jolie to Brad: Zip it

After a spate of interviews in which he discussed marrying **Angelina Jolie** at their children's wishes, **Brad Pitt** is tempering his words a bit more. People magazine checked in with the couple about the wedding talk, of which Jolie say, "I think anything said tends to be blown out of proportion." A sheepish Pitt agrees: "Just a little," he says. "Yeah, that was my fault."

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The feed ...

▶ **Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.**

Edgar Wright isn't feeling terribly manly, Jamie Bell could use some sunshine, Lady Gaga is feeling a bit jittery and Seth MacFarlane is ruining things for teenage girls everywhere.

@edgarwright
Thoroughly enjoyed 'The Grey'. Manliest film since John Carpenter's 'The Thing'. If I was in it, I would have died in the first 15 minutes.

@1jamiebell
My sunglasses stare at me with that look of neglect and abandonment. #inscotland

@ladygaga
Haus meeting. Holy mother of coffee. I might need a valium today. Or maybe a tranquilizer meant for a small bunny.

@SethMacFarlane
I feel like Newt Gingrich is what Justin Bieber will look like old.

Edgar Wright

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Lights, camera ...

Gone are the days when celebrities regularly puffed away in front of the camera. But while it's rare, some still don't mind lighting up.

1: Prop or bad habit? **Lady Gaga** adds a cigarette to her costume.

2: Danny Trejo letting it all (and then some) hang out in Venice.

3: According to our photo service informants, **Dennis Rodman** is smoking a cigar here. We'll take their word for it.

4: We have never before been jealous of a cigarette. **Robert Pattinson**, never shower.

5: Dave Attell helped himself to a smoke onstage earlier this month — but we doubt it was a problem at the Adult Video News Awards Show.

6: There were more than a couple shots of **Snoop** to choose from.

7: Do you want to suggest quitting to **Sean Penn**? Yeah, we don't either.

8: Katherine Heigl apparently is a little bit more careful with her health. The actress was spotted leaving ABC's studio puffing on a SmokeStik electronic cigarette after promoting her new movie "One for the Money" on "The View" in New York City.

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Game on: It's Puppy Bowl time

Animal Planet's annual battle for the chew toy goes down this Sunday ◗ We checked in with Dan Schachner, who might just have the best job in the world ◗ How to adopt an MVP

During Puppy Bowl VIII, 58 puppies will stumble over their oversize paws while, ideally, making it into the end zone with a chew toy. They might just tumble around mid-field. Making cute little puppy faces at the puppy cam is also an option. It doesn't really matter — everyone wins here.

We checked in with ref Dan Schachner before the big game to talk puppy strategy — and figure out how to steal his job.

▶ Puppy Bowl VIII airs Sunday, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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What are your responsibilities?
I'm there mostly to call puppy touchdowns — which happen very frequently, the rules are pretty loose — and puppy penalties. I have the flag in my pocket and I'm not afraid to use it.

How do you break up puppy fights?
We have a term called "pancaking" — when you flatten like a pancake — and that's a reason to give the puppies a little break.

Be honest: Does cuteness help when it comes to calls?
Cuteness doesn't affect me one way or the other. But what I do have to turn a blind eye to are the puppy fouls — the premature watering of the lawn. We have to let some of those go or we'd never get on with the game. That said, if there's a really big foul left in the middle of the field, that will result in at least a 10-15 yard penalty.

Adopt a star!

All participants — including the halftime kittens and the hamster blimp pilots — are available for adoption. Puppy players from Pennsylvania include seven adorable PSPCA residents (including pit bulls, collies and rottweilers from 7 to 12 weeks old). They are all looking for loving homes on Petfinder.com.

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Worldly artist Henry Ossawa Tanner once studied at PAFA ◗ New exhibit showcases his religious paintings

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The subjects of Henry Ossawa Tanner's paintings are much the same as those of generations of artists before him: the Annunciation, Salome, Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. Nonetheless, the title of PAFA's new exhibition — "Modern Spirit" — is entirely apt.

"We wanted to convey that Henry Tanner was a modern man, a leader in his field who was adventurous and who traveled the world," said curator Anna Marley during a tour of the show. "The reason he became the leading American religious artist of this period is because of his modernization of the genre."

PAFA's exhibition, which places a major career retrospective of Tanner back in the school where he studied from 1879 to 1885, showcases that modernism, from the humble Mary visited by an abstract beam of light to a shadowy Salome, cloaked in Tanner's trademark nocturnal blues.

The exhibition traces his career from his student days to his triumphs at the Paris Salon to his travels in the Holy Land. As museum director Harry Philbrick pointed out, it also provides a celebration of an overlooked African-American artist who studied under Thomas Eakins but could never be appreciated at home during his time.

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▶ Tanner painted "The Annunciation" in Paris; it's now on view as part of the PAFA exhibit.

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TV watch list

'Super Bowl's Greatest Commercials 2012'

SPECIAL. Yes, this is an entire hour of commercials — with commercial breaks!
8 p.m., CBS

'Royal Pains'

COMEDY. We're reminded why it's not such a bad thing to check in with the docs of HankMed tonight when JoAnna Garcia begins her guest arc as a kidney specialist.
10 p.m., USA

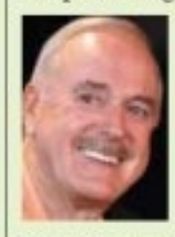
▶ JoAnna Garcia guest stars on "Royal Pains."

'Face Off'

REALITY. The makeup competition may turn into a therapy session when the contestants visit an abandoned hospital and are tasked with creating a unique horror villain based on a phobia.
10 p.m., Syfy

'Whitney'

COMEDY. This mediocre sitcom keeps fooling us into including its episodes in this column. How so? Because it somehow keeps wooing guest stars we love — like John Cleese, who stops by as Whitney and Alex's relationship counselor tonight.
8 p.m., NBC



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▶ Hit another 3 p.m. slump? Try taking a walk or having a snack.

In nature, winter is a time to rest and gather resources to spur spring's new growth. But even when we really need rest, our world doesn't give pause for that. So, we reach for that extra cup of coffee to keep going. While there's nothing wrong with a cup of joe to lift mood and kick-start activity, in time all that java can do more harm than good. Too much caffeine — including from coffees, teas and sodas — can cause dehydration, insomnia, irritability and other mood disorders. Here are three tips to combat energy slumps naturally.

Take a nap

If you're lucky enough to take a midday break, by all means, take it. "It might sound odd, but napping increases productivity," says Gene Stone, author of "Forks Over Knives: The Plant-Based Way to Health." "A 20-minute nap can boost energy levels, especially if you don't sleep well. We need seven to eight hours of sleep in a 24-hour cycle, but it doesn't have to be all at once."

Take a walk

Dave Larson, MSPT (Master of Science in Physical Therapy), co-owner of Boston-based Joint Ventures Physical Therapy and Fitness, says, "A brisk walk increases your heart rate and cardiac output, which results in more oxygenated blood going to your muscles. This improves the muscles' efficiency. The current research is clear: A regular exercise program [improves] your energy levels." A quick walk can get you going.

Take mini meals

Step away from the Snickers, which might tide you over for a bit but will send you crashing soon after. "Treat snacking as a miniature meal," says Adam Korzun, high-performance dietitian for the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association. "Often we let ourselves get too hungry and end up searching for the first thing in sight, which most often is a bad choice. Miniature meals every three to four hours should contain carbohydrates, protein and good fats. A balance of protein and carbs helps your body more efficiently use fat for energy."

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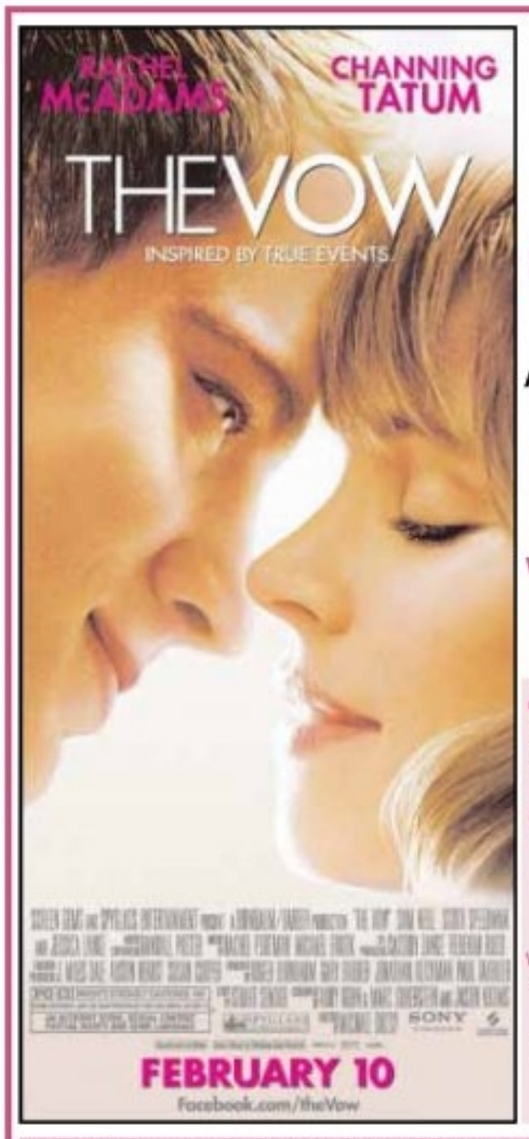

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These viruses cause a collection of symptoms — such as nasal congestion, a scratchy or sore throat and/or a cough — by infecting and irritating the upper airways. Cold symptoms often last seven to 10 days and will usually go away on their own. Antibiotics are not effective against viruses and are only used to treat bacterial infections. If you develop a fever, sinus pain or pressure, a headache, an earache or shortness of breath — or if your symptoms are persistent and worse after 10 days — then your cold may have caused a bacterial infection such as sinusitis, middle ear infection, strep throat, bronchitis or pneumonia. Your physician should consider prescribing an antibiotic.

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Mitt management doesn't bode well

RE: "IF OBAMA WAS A PORTFOLIO MANAGER, HE WOULD BE FIRED!": Mr. Arslanian confuses private-sector business practices for government policy, which are not interchangable. Romney's work at Bain, while arguably legal, was done strictly to enrich a small group of investors at the expense of employees' jobs; government's investments are targeted to serve the country as a whole, ideally creating new jobs and improving the national economy. Such investments don't always work, but at least they're trying harder than Romney ever did. **JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL**

Republican primary season has revealed Mitt Romney to be a pretentious, selfish phony. He and his children never served in the military; by virtue of his low tax rate, he didn't even support America in a time of war, while us working-class stiffs picked up the bill. He destroyed companies while making money at the cost of U.S. workers. November is gonna be a cake walk for Obama — who lives in a real world, not glossy fictional images devoid of reality. **DAVID DIBELLO, VIA E-MAIL**

"Ron Paul sits at the top of the least-corruptible list."

RE: "ARE THE DEMOCRATS AS CORRUPT AS GOP?": Yes, Democrats are just as corrupt as the GOP. I am in no way defending Republicans. Instead of rattling off a list of who is more corrupt, why don't we make it a list of who's the least corrupt? This list will undoubtedly be shorter. Ron Paul sits at the top of the least-corruptible list. He has never voted to raise taxes, never met with lobbyists, never taken a government-paid junket and follows the Constitution. Dennis Kucinich, a Democrat, comes in a distant second due to his honesty. I'll take either over a slick-talking liar like Obama or Romney. **KELLY DONNOE, VIA E-MAIL**

Fox is journalism; MSNBC, racialism

RE: "ONE IS NEWS, THE OTHER IS OPINION": Yes, there is a big difference between Fox News and MSNBC. Fox has journalists; MSNBC has Al Sharpton: a no-talent left-wing hack who plays the race card at every possible instance. **CALVIN FULLER, PHILADELPHIA**

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Horoscope

Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Be careful, because someone with whom you'll be involved might not be playing by the rules.

Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** A failure to select companions who are equally as enthusiastic about life as you are could put too many restrictions on everything you attempt to do and limit your initiative.

Aries **March 21-April 19.** If you want to perform effectively, you'll need to be systematic in all you do.

Taurus **April 20-May 20.** If you have a bad time, it won't be because you're not sociable, but because of the group with which you're aligned.

Gemini **May 21-June 20.** When you utilize your friendliness and charm, situations in which you become involved will turn out to be fun and successful.

Cancer **June 21-July 22.** As long as friends are in accord with your views and opinions, you'll be amicable and fun to be around.

Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** The disadvantages of a collective endeavor in which you're involved could bring down the whole ship.

Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** It might not be entirely the fault of others if you have problems dealing on a one-on-one basis with people.

Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Attend first thing, while you are fresh, to all the jobs and responsibilities that must get done.

Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Again you could find yourself in a similar social situation that you didn't handle too well previously.

Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Although you are extremely capable of holding your own in testy circumstances, you might insist on seeing yourself as the underdog.

Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Be on guard when participating in an activity that has competitive elements. Unfortunately, there's a chance that you could go up against someone who can't handle losing.

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18 Tex-Mex snack
19 Gallivant
20 NASA destination
21 Every man has one (2 wds.)
24 Goblet
26 Would rather
27 1040 org.
28 More winsome
30 First and third
33 Orchestra member
34 Monastery dweller
37 Mongolia's __ Bator
38 Pretty, in Perth
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42 Vetoes
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63 Got by
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2 Kind of helmet
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4 Mr. Fleming
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6 Not stiff
7 Lab medium
8 A little, to Liszt
9 Soon
10 Less long-winded
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Solution to yesterday's crossword

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Reid looks at man in mirror

Coach delivers end-of-season speech Castillo still defensive coordinator Bowles in as secondary coach Eagles boss comes across open, honest, thoughtful

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Reid showed a softer side at yesterday's press conference.

The most anticipated press conference of Andy Reid's 13-year coaching tenure here lasted nearly an hour.

Reid confirmed two things: Juan Castillo is still the team's defensive coordinator and Todd Bowles will take over as secondary coach.

But the real lesson in yesterday's marathon session wasn't in the details, it was in Reid's demeanor. He wasn't his usually crude self as he answered questions thoughtfully and honestly. Reid, who waited an entire month to wrap up the season, thanked the media for their patience.

"I wanted to make sure I stepped back and looked at it," Reid said. "I wanted to make sure that I can still do the things that I think are the responsibilities of the head coach for the Philadelphia Eagles to win the Super Bowl."

Reid also admitted that he did have talks with Steve Spagnuolo about coming on board as some type of assistant coach. No exact titles were offered or discussed.

"Juan was going to be there," Reid said. "And as you know in this league titles are thrown all over the place and my feeling was with Spags that those two together I just thought could be dynamite."

Perhaps the most telling point came when Reid touched on his relationship with Jeffrey Lurie. Earlier this month, the owner expressed his frustrations with the Eagles' 8-8 record and called the four-game winning streak to close out the 2011 season "fool's gold." Reid agreed with that assessment 100 percent.

"He didn't say anything in there that ruffled my feathers or anything else that I don't completely agree with," Reid said.

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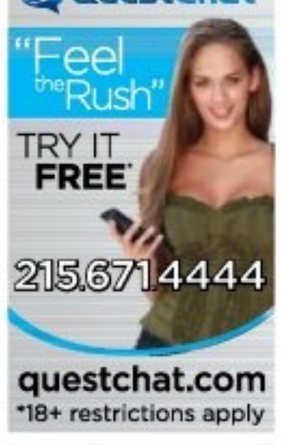

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What does it mean to live in Germantown? That's what artist Jon Laidacker hopes to capture in his new Mural Arts project

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▶ Laidacker works on another mural at 17th and Snyder streets. He uses a large-scale paint-by-numbers approach.

Artist Jon Laidacker knows the theme of his new mural is going to be "Germantown." But he doesn't know what it will look like.

The mural is planned for an exterior wall of a Christian bookshop at 310 W. Chelten Ave., a spot that's highly visible and a "nicely placed welcome into Germantown," Laidacker says.

Laidacker is in charge of designing it; but, as with all Mural Arts Program projects, he's counting on folks in the neighborhood to supply the ideas. "Nothing goes on the wall unless a consensus is reached by the community," he says.

The big picture

To make murals that big, Laidacker starts with a "paint-by-numbers" design on 5-by-10 parachute cloth. For the 310 W. Chelten mural, neighbors will be invited to fill in the colors during designated paint days at Mt. Airy Art Garage.

"The community is an integral part of this process," says Linda Slodki, co-founder of the Art Garage. "We want to get as many people out as possible."

The Germantown community has been invited to brainstorming sessions and three workshops where neighbors are invited to create art that can be incorporated directly into the mural. There's also a Facebook page asking people to send in ideas, photos or drawings that answer the question "What does living in Germantown mean to you?" (On Facebook, search for "Germantown Mural.")

Laidacker was the lead artist on the massive "How Philly Moves" mural at the airport, a project that drew more than 1,000 volunteers. Turnout in Germantown hasn't been as encouraging — but fortunately, Laidacker says interest always gets drummed up as neighbors start to see things happening.

Once the design is finalized, it will be painted on panels of parachute cloth in the next couple of months. In the spring, the panels will be glued to the wall like wallpaper.

"The great thing about a community mural project, when it works correctly, is its ability to bring people together," Laidacker says. "The gathering of folks together sparks ideas, that spark discussions, that can spark change in a neighborhood."

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SEEING THE LIGHT

The first phase of the Energy Independence and Security Act's ban on incandescent light bulbs began this month The good news about CFL and LED alternatives

There are two ways that you can handle the federal government's phase-out of traditional incandescent light bulbs: You can stockpile them in fear of the forthcoming lighting apocalypse, or you can learn to embrace the more energy-efficient CFL and LED bulbs.

If you're entertaining option two — or simple don't have the closet space to build up reserves — the good news is that today's energy-efficient bulbs aren't the harsh, unnatural mood-killers you might remember.

"When these bulbs first came out and Americans were just trying to save energy, they were crappy — they did blink, they did look blue," says Maxwell Gillingham-Ryan, founder of design website ApartmentTherapy.com. "But these companies realized if they were going to sell light bulbs to Home Depot or Ikea, they had to improve. If you want a warmer light, if you want a brighter light, if you want a softer light — they've figured it out."

What's more, the lighter, brighter LED bulbs lend themselves to lighting schemes that are impossible with incandescents. "When we get more into this, what's really going to excite us is what we can do with LEDs, not the money or the energy that we're saving. You can recess them, you can put them around corners — because the bulbs are so small, the design that carries them doesn't need to be bulbous or carry a lot of weight."

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The breakdown

They look nice, but CFLs and LEDs will also save you money in the long run.

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